

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE
HELD ON MONDAY 22nd OCTOBER 2012

Present:

Jane Tromans	Committee Chairman
Jim Wilde	Club Captain
Di Wilde	
Mel Stocker	
Chris Hardy	
Terry Smith	Secretary

ITEM 1 – MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on 25th June 2012 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

ITEM 2 – MATTERS ARISING

JT reported that she had met with the Caterers regarding a number of complaints which had been made regarding some of the meals which they had served. In her view the quality of meals provided had improved following her discussions with them.

JT also reported that a new window had been fitted in the Ladies showers which they were able to open in order to provide improved ventilation in this area.

ITEM 3 – REPORT FROM THE HOUSE CHAIR

JT informed the Committee that she would be obtaining quotes for cleaning the carpets in the lounge. It was planned to carry out this work in February/March. She would also be obtaining quotes for upholstery cleaning. The Committee discussed the possibility of members of the Club either being able to provide some of these services or of being able to recommend suitable contractors to carry out this work.

JT would be organising the Xmas decorations including the purchase of a Xmas tree for the entrance lobby. **ACTION JT**

JT had previously prepared a House Committee ‘wish-list’ of projects which should be under consideration in the clubhouse. These included the creation of a new entrance to the clubhouse into the small bar area and a new patio near the main entrance into the clubhouse. Also under consideration was the construction of new toilets close to the dining room at the southern end of the clubhouse. MS expressed the view that all of these projects should be discussed as part of the Business Plan process and would require indicative costings for them to be properly considered.

The Committee also discussed the issue of additional buggy storage facilities and the option of providing storage facilities for member’s trollies. The possibility of using part of the former Pro Shop (currently used by the Professional for storage, club repairs and tuition) was discussed. It was agreed that MS would meet with the Club’s professional to discuss any plans he has for the future use of this building and to discuss various ideas which the Club may be considering. **ACTION MS**

TS raised the issue of bar opening hours. MS had previously reported that the wage bill for bar staff had increased significantly during the last year and that this was

affecting the bar's profitability. TS would discuss bar opening hours with the Head Barman to establish whether there was any scope for reducing wage costs.

JT reported that at her request SC had planted a number of new shrubs around the clubhouse and also that an ash tree behind the 1st tee had been removed.

Following comments made regarding the unsightly appearance of parts of the Clubhouse including the hallway and the committee room, it was agreed that JT would ask SC to tidy up some of these areas. DW suggested giving consideration to hiring out some of our facilities as 'conference' facilities. This would be considered in the context of the Business Plan. **ACTION JT/SC**

ITEM 4 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS

JT raised the issue of the replacement of some of the existing patio furniture, some of which she considered was beyond repair. Whilst the Committee was generally supportive of the need to replace some of the existing patio furniture it was felt to be prudent to defer making the final decision until the New Year at which point MS would have a clearer picture of the Club's likely financial position for 2013.

ITEM 5 - NEXT MEETING

To be arranged after Christmas.

T.H Smith

Secretary
23/10/2012

J Tromans

Committee Chairman